

1 Abstract of the Disclosure.

3 An animal trap comprises a trap body with a sliding trap door
5 at one end. A bait holder is pivotably mounted on the top of the
7 trap body, the top including an opening through which the bait
9 holder is inserted into the trap body. The bait holder is
11 connected to a trip mechanism, which includes a rod having a ball
 mounted thereon. The ball is positioned towards the front end of
 the trap, the ball being a support mechanism that balances the trap
 door in an open position. When an animal enters the trap and takes
 the bait, the bait holder is pivoted, moving the trip mechanism to
 upset the balance of the trap door on the rod, thereby closing the
 trap and retaining the animal therein.